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In the Specification:

Please amend paragraph [0020], as follows:

Upon arrival at a new site or changed mission assignment a Mission Support Planner (MSP) inputs via a menu to the ~~to the~~ surge-priority ranking module the required ranking criteria. The ASCMS calculates from ~~MSS~~ MSP inputs a prioritization rating, which can only be changed by a request to help desk personnel. This is necessary to prevent a command/wing or squadron from improving their priority and possibly getting spares that should have gone to a more critical mission. Criteria such as: -their site location; purpose of the deployment (rotational training, alert, or wartime surge, etc.); Force Activity Designator (FAD) priority of their deployment; date combat operations are expected to commence; duration of the deployment; site environmental conditions (desert, artic, tropical, etc.), vehicle variant and other factors to be determined by the designer. This is the connectivity "knowledge" the DSIS-ASCMS needs to globally commence autonomic operations. The system is now alerted that a squadron(s) has increased the tempo of operations and where it is located, etc.

Delete paragraphs 0082 through 0088.